

NEWS OF THE DAY

"To show the very age and body of the Tenor."

The operators in the anthracite coal region of Pennsylvania, after a suspension of four months, will resume work on Monday next. The Workingmen's "Benevolent Association" dictated the terms to which the operators acceded. Apparently the worst feature in the compromise is that which allows an assessment of ten to forty per cent. on the miners' wages for the benefit of the Association. The arrangement entered into is to last one year.

On Monday last, a colored boy, employed by Thomas A. Duckett, of Loudoun, Va., named George's county, Md., was driving a cart full of wood, and when crossing the railroad track the oxen became frightened and unmanageable. The cart was upset and the unfortunate driver instantly killed by the body of the cart passing over him after he had fallen to the ground.

The Secretary of the Treasury has ordered the destruction of \$129,802,650 of United States bonds, heretofore purchased by him for the special and sinking fund, in conformity with section 6 of the refunding act. This reduces the outstanding principal of the coin debt by that amount.

The New York German Patriotic Association has resolved to send over to Germany young physicians who speak the German language, to assist in the care of the sick and wounded, knowing, from official sources, that this course will be very acceptable to the Prussian government.

A North German barque, which cleared from Liverpool for Richmond loaded with salt, is three weeks behind time. She has not been spoken at sea during that time, and it is thought that she may have been captured by French cruisers.

The Secretary of the Treasury yesterday completed the work of consolidating the divisions in the Treasury Department. There will be but nine divisions instead of fourteen, as heretofore.

Thomas Martin, of St. Mary's Co., Md., who had been announced as a candidate for Congress from that District, publishes a card in the last *Leander* withdrawing from the canvass.

A camp meeting is to take place at Tolson's Woods, in Spalding District, commencing on Thursday next, the 4th of August. The grounds are situated eight miles from Washington, near the T. B. Road.

A number of applications for gold banks have been received by the Comptroller of the Currency, and it is probable that the first bank chartered under the new law will be a gold bank.

The New York Times says the taxes in South Carolina now are very much greater than ever before, while the State debt has been increased nine millions in two years.

Senator Sprague says there are 12,000,000 sets of conscripts imported into the United States annually. These will pay by a recent enactment, \$5,000,000 of revenue tax.

The Board of Trade of Knoxville, have in definitely postponed the Commercial Convention, called to meet in that place, on the 16th day of August.

HARRISONBURG HOTELS.—The Harrisonburg Odd Commonwealth thus replies to the strictures of our correspondent, H., on the hotel accommodations at that place:

"As we are not much addicted to travelling, and therefore have but little experience relative to the manner in which hotels generally are kept, we are not prepared to say whether the charge, that we lack 'a good hotel,' may be justly alleged against our landlords or not. We had supposed that our hotel-keepers, at least at this season, when a great many high-bred, well-to-do, and fashionable people are travelling, would exert themselves to accommodate even the most fastidious among them in the best style. It would seem to be their interest to provide the best market could afford for both 'man and beast.' According to the damaging accusation of 'H.,' it would seem that they not only fail to do this, but are indifferent to the comfort and welfare of their guests. We infer that they don't furnish proper 'shelter and food,' &c. Vegetables are very abundant in this community, such as potatoes, tomatoes, corn, beans, beets, apples, cucumbers, cabbage, berries of every description, mutton, beef, veal, chickens, salt fish, eggs, bacon, &c. We see these things in our market daily, and suppose the hotel-keepers supply themselves with them, at least to an extent sufficient to meet the 'necessities' of travellers. They have good cooks, at least; that have the reputation of being such, and seem to have tolerably good accommodations in the way of beds, &c. Of course, we have no means of knowing what 'meat' this 'Cesar' of the quill 'hath fed upon,' that the plain fare of our Harrisonburg hotels should cause his 'gorge to rise' in so fearful a manner. Perhaps he hath been accustomed to the dainties of Versailles, the most delicate of French cookeries, with sparkling champagne, inspiring sherry, mint juleps, colobers, and the like. When he shall return from the springs, if he is not too much disgusted with our hotel-keepers to step here, if he will give them, or any one of them, a bill of fare and a week's notice, no doubt they will get it up for him in the most approved style of the culinary art."

Not having boarded in the same house with our correspondent, we can't say whether he has been accustomed to "the most delicate of French cookeries," or not; but we do hope he will follow the suggestion of our friend of the "Old Commonwealth," and give the Harrisonburg hotel people another chance.

A STRANGE SUICIDE.—In or out of Richmond we have not heard recently of a more unaccountable suicide than one that occurred in this city several days ago and which has not yet been published. For over twenty years John Burquest, a native of Sweden, had carried on shoe making in this city, and during all this time had borne an irreproachable character as a citizen. Prompt in his engagements, he prospered and had accumulated \$4,000 in gold, besides being out of debt. Being unmarried, he had no family cares to disturb him, and everybody who knew him thought him a happy and prosperous man. Strange to say, however, this was not so, as he deliberately, on the day referred to, effectually severed with a sharp knife the veins in each wrist, and then took a heavy dose of a deadly poisonous acid. He survived this desperate attempt at self destruction only a short time. The deceased was about forty years of age, and at the time of his tragic death kept a boot and shoe shop on Seventeenth street.—*Richmond Enquirer*.

A SENSATION STORY.—A strange story comes to us from Orange county. There is a woman who claims to have been married to Peter Phillips during the war, and who has now a child some five or six years of age, which she says is the fruit of their union. The reason assigned by her for not setting up a claim to her truant husband sooner is, that she did not know where he was until he was arrested for the murder committed on Drinker's farm, and that she did not care to have anything to do with him afterwards. Her story is corroborated by the testimony and belief of the neighborhood. We are not much inclined to put our trust in this new sensation, but still it may be true, and we look anxiously for additional information from the county where this alleged marriage took place.—*Rich Enq.*

R. G. Alcott, of Loudoun county, has been appointed a notary public by the Governor.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

During the prevalence of the storm Wednesday night, a young lady by the name of Miss Sallie Jones, whilst sitting by an open window, in Fredericksburg, was so shocked by lightning that she remained insensible for over an hour. At the same time a dwelling house in the same town was struck and a son of Mr. James Jefferson was thrown from the roof, which continued for several hours.

The Richmond correspondent of the *Times* says: "The Richmond and York River Railroad has been put on the map of the State, and it is now a question of time when it will be completed. The extension to a speedy completion."

Since the middle of May Superintendent Strother has collected over \$1,200 for the hire of penitentiary convicts at work on public improvements, and by October, it is estimated, that he will have collected over \$4,000 more. He is endeavoring as rapidly as possible to make the institution self-sustaining by putting all of the indoor convicts at remunerative labor.

Wednesday morning, the 27th inst., just before day, a Fred J. Hall, (white) committed for horse stealing; Jack Ross, (Jim Furr, John Walker, Bruce Green and Scott Fokes, alias Robinson, (negroes) committed for burglary, by cutting through the partition dividing their cell from the kitchen.

Mrs. Emily Lloyd, of Leesburg, lost two little boys this week, from eating, it is supposed, while picking blackberries, the leaves of berries of poisonous oak. The youngest died on Sunday morning, and George on Monday. They were six and nine years old. They were ill but a few days.

A meeting of the Stockholders in the Richmond and Danville Railroad, will be held in Richmond on the 31st of August, to consider the acceptance of the act of the Legislature authorizing the Board of Public Works to sell the State's interest in the road, and the Company to buy the same.

On last Tuesday, the farm of Mr. Thomas Dehaven, residing on Back Creek in Frederick county, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. It contained some 400 bushels of wheat, a quantity of hay, and other things of less value, all of which were consumed.

Judge Guion, of Richmond, is to order writs of election, returning on the 1st Tuesday after the 1st of November for municipal officers in that city. In the mean time he is to appoint officers temporarily.

The bankrupt business has recommenced briskly. The extension recently made, it will be remembered, does not require 50 per cent., or any stated per cent., on debts contracted prior to the date of the war.

The population of Lynchburg, under the present census will not reach 7,000. The population of the suburbs, it is estimated, will be nearly or quite as large as the corporation proper.

No confirmation of the report that a son of Virginia by the name of Henry H. Hooker, under the command of Kirk and the street of Gann in Danville, has been recruited at Richmond.

The Orange Virginian says: "Under its city charter, in one of these there are three voters; two are candidates for office."

Rev. G. Vanderplas, in temporary charge of St. Joseph's (Catholic) church, in Petersburg, died in that city about 5 o'clock Thursday evening, after comparatively a brief illness.

SCARLET FEVER CURE.—As this dreaded and dreadful disease is universally prevalent, it may not be inopportune to state that an eminent physician claims to have cured many of its victims by prescribing for the patient warm lemonade, with a little nutmeg, as often as desired, and the application of warmth to the stomach. He directs that a cloth be wrung out of hot water and laid on the stomach, renewing it as often as it cools. With this treatment he guarantees that not one in a hundred cases will prove fatal.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, July 30.—The market for Wheat is quiet and steady; offerings of 1358 bushels white and red, with sales of the former at 150 for inferior, and of the latter at 141, 145 and 165—a badly damaged lot sold for 115. Corn is more active for good samples, while inferior and damaged lots are neglected; offerings of 312 bushels mixed, with sales at 110, 111 and 112—first figures for "blue-eyed." Rye is firm; offerings small, with sales at 90, 95 and 100. Oats are active, at an advance; offerings of 564 bushels, with sales at 45, 45 and 47. Other articles unchanged.

GEORGETOWN CATTLE MARKET.—The market at Drover's best yesterday, though well attended, was very dull. We quote: 500 head of Cattle at 3.50-3.75 per 100 lbs; 1000 Sheep and Lambs from 2.50-3.50 per head; Cows and Calves 2.50-3.00.—*Georgetown Courier* 30th.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, JULY 30. ARRIVED.

Schrs C. E. Morrison, Smith, Georgetown; H. T. Edge, Boston; and Sarah Watson, Smith, Philadelphia, to J. P. Agnew.

Schr H. T. Hedges, Providence, by J. P. Agnew.

Schrs Mary W. Hopper, J. B. Austin and Daniel Britton, for Boston, and W. R. McShane, for Derby, by American Coal Co.

MEMORANDA.

Schr Charles Woolsey, Mason, for this port, sailed from New London 26th.

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